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SUBJECT: PRODUCT OPPORTUNITY - ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY

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1. BUDGET FOR SUBJECT PROJECT SEEMS TO BE OPEN-ENDED.
 2. THE MUSLIM LEAGUE IS AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WITH NO SPECIAL CONNECTION TO THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT ASIDE FROM THE UNIQUE ROLE OF SAG AS CUSTODIAN OF THE MOST HOLY PLACES OF ISLAM, AND GENEROUS SAG CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL PROJECTS SUCH AS THE SUBJECT ONE. THE ULTIMATE AMOUNT OF THE SAG CONTRIBUTION IN THIS CASE WILL OF COURSE BE UNDER SAG CONTROL, BUT UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE ADEQUATE TO MEET WHATEVER THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROJECT TURN OUT TO BE. IMPLEMENTATION WILL BE UNDER THE JOINT RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MUSLIM LEAGUE SECRETARIAT IN MECCA, AND THE SAG MINISTRY OF PILGRIMAGE AND WAQF.
 3. U.S. FIRM PERKIN-ELMER OF NORWALK, CONN. HAS BEEN CLOSELY PURSUING THIS PROJECT FOR SOME TIME FOR SUPPLY OF THE TELESCOPE AND RELATED SYSTEMS. DOES ESSCO REPRESENT A COMPETITOR OR A COMPLEMENTARY SUPPLIER FOR PERKIN-ELMER?
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